

It does not provide exceptions for U.S. military personnel who are engaged in training the Afghanistan National Army or Afghanistan National Police to provide their own security.

We should not be involved in a civil war in Afghanistan, but there are a few, limited missions in Afghanistan that may be necessary to protect our national interests. This Resolution does not allow us any flexibility to address those missions, and this is why I cannot support a policy that endangers the lives of U.S. personnel on the ground and allows al Qaeda to continue to destabilize the border region between Afghanistan and Pakistan, and potentially strike us here at home.

I hope Representative KUCINICH will refine his legislation and work with the President to present us with a plan to bring our troops home safely and in a timely manner.

CONGRATULATING MARTIN F. QUINN, THE MAN OF THE YEAR OF THE GREATER PITTSBURGH FRIENDLY SONS OF ST. PATRICK

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 11, 2010

Mr. KANJORSKI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask you and my esteemed colleagues in the House of Representatives to pay tribute to Martin F. Quinn, who was named "Man of the Year" by the Greater Pittsburgh Friendly Sons of St. Patrick in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Quinn is a son of the late Martin J. Quinn and Margaret Mitchell Quinn and was raised in the Cork Lane section of Pittsburgh Township. He graduated from Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School. He also attended Fairleigh Dickinson University and the Electrical Programming Institute, both in New Jersey.

He served and was honorably discharged from the United States Army. He was employed by the Lehigh Valley Railroad and ConRail Inc. for over 30 years, retiring as a line foreman in 1999. He is a licensed electrician and was recording secretary of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 1153 for many years. He is also a licensed projectionist.

Prior to returning to the Greater Pittsburgh area in 1973, Mr. Quinn was employed in the trucking industry in New Jersey and was vice-president of the Teamsters' Union Local 701.

In addition to his extensive railroad career, Mr. Quinn has contributed a great amount of time to many community activities in the Greater Pittsburgh area. He has served his community for over 20 years as a member of the Pittsburgh Area Board of Education and is actively involved in many local clubs and political organizations. He is a sustaining member of the Greater Pittsburgh Friendly Sons of St. Patrick and is also a charter member of Wolfe Tone Luzerne County Division 1, Ancient Order of Hibernian.

He is a member of the President John F. Kennedy Council #372, Knights of Columbus, and its Fourth Degree Assembly. He is a member of the board of the Parking Authority of the City of Pittsburgh. He is active with the Third District Democrats and served many years as a committeeman in his ward. He is

a member of St. Mary's Help of Christians Church.

Mr. Quinn resides in Pittsburgh with his wife, the former Barbara Brigido. They are the proud parents of three sons, Mitch, Mike, and Brian and have four grandchildren, Zach, Samantha, Katie, and Kearney.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating Mr. Quinn on this very special occasion. His love of his family and community is evident in all the good works he has been responsible for over many years. Moreover, his example inspires others to emulate him and to share in improving the quality of life throughout the region.

HONORING THE WORLD WAR II VETERANS OF AMERICA

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 11, 2010

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the World War II veterans from across the country who are traveling to Washington, D.C. with the Honor Flight Network, a program whose goal is to provide as many World War II veterans as possible the opportunity to see the World War II Memorial here in Washington, D.C., a memorial that was built to honor their courage and service.

The American veteran is one of our greatest treasures. The Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen traveling here today answered our nation's call to service during one of its greatest times of need. From the European Campaign to the Pacific Asian Theatre to the African Theater, these brave Americans risked life and limb, gave service and sacrificed much, all while embodying what it is to be a hero. We owe them more gratitude than can ever be expressed.

I welcome these brave veterans to Washington and to their memorial. I am proud to submit the names of these heroes for all to see, hear, and recognize, and I call on my colleagues to rise and join me in expressing thanks.

Irwin L. Abelson, William Ahearn, Norm Albaugh, Frank Albert, William G. Anderson, George Anderson, Joseph Ansaldi, Dante Argenti, Charles Aschmann, Jr., John Bacik, Sr., Francis R. Bailey, William Banta, Ted Barnes, Benjamin Bauer, Irving Berge, Donald Bergeron, Leroy F. Berkebille, Carmine Biondi, George H. Bitting, Alfred Blake, Henry L. Blim, Eugene G. Bonetti, Edward Borucki, Francis L. Bouthiette, Edward A. Branning, Jr., George W. Briggs, Lionel Brindamour, Blair B. Brooks, George Brown, Carl Brown, Douglas Bryant, Eldon Burgess, Jack F. Bussert, Anthony V. Caggiano, Adone T. Calderone, Sam M. Calucci, Alex Campbell, James J. Carbone, James S. Cardone, Lloyd E. Carpenter, Henry C. Carroll, Edwin Cartoski, Bert L. Casagrande, Pasquale Cassetta, Charles Catyb, Albert Catyb, Carmine J. Cella, Salvatore Chiarelli, Salvatore A. Citrano, Harold Cohen, John J. Colleary, Russell N. Collins, Robert F. Colvin, Victor Coronella, William Coronella, Vincent F. Costello, Edward T. Coyne, Arthur A. Cozza, Don Cruise, Robert Curtis, Raymond D. Daniel, Robert L. Davis, Carl E. Davis, Ralph M. Day, Frank Dezenzo, Fred P. Dickinson, Russell E. Diefenbach, Jo-

seph G. Doherty, James J. Donnell, Joseph E. Donnelly, Calvin B. Double, Gerard Doyle, Clifford W. Drumm, Charles du Moulin, O'Neal Duffey, Gordon R. Dunbar, William R. Elwinger, Alvin R. Engelhardt, Raymond J. Enser, Julius J. Erdos, Karl Esler, Peter Fabregas, Peter J. Fantacone, Edmond G. Farah, Mike Florio, Dennis Focas, John E. Franklin, Jerome Freund, Arthur G. Fulte, John Fulton, Paul Gaither, Albert F. Gallo, John R. Giarrusso, Monroe Glazer, James Goins, Edward V. Golien, Frank M. Gondola, Jr., Milton R. Gore, Albert P. Greenwald, Victor Grillo, Don Griswold, Vaclav S. Gursky, Edward A. Haas, Robert B. Hagerman, Howard E. Haines, Charles Hamblin, Richard L. Hamel, Milton S. Harrell, Calvin N. Hartz, William T. Hay, Eugene J. Henleben, Kenneth Herrington, Ivan E. Hertle, Lawrence Hickey, William F. Hill, Edward R. Hodgman, Jr., Charles Holdstein, William B. Howell, Elmer Hurt, Walter H. Ingham, James Inglis, Bart Ingoglia, Thomas J. Jarecki, Elbert I. Jaudon, Jr., Warren Jenkins, Otto Jensen, Frank F. Jurek, Joseph L. Keller, George Keys, Paul J. Kieffer, Victor F. Kilkowski, Robert D. Kistler, George A. Klein, Robert Knight, Christos A. Kourambis, John L. Kraus, Leo Kukiela, Lewis A. Kull, Charles Lafferty, James L. Lange, Carman Laspatha, John P. Lauriello, James H. Leidig, Harold C. Levenberg, Lawrence J. Levy, Clifford Lewis, Walter Lightcap, Edward Lindstrom, Harry Lines, Joseph Locuto, Vincent J. Lombardi, Thomas A. Long, David Loree, Alfred Maccheronio, James D. Maniatis, Anthony A. Marchitelli, Robert M. Marraccini, George Martin, Joseph McGinnis, William McCarron, John W. McCormick, Elijah McKelvin, Marion F. Merrick, Robert Meyer, Richard Miller, Arthur Minichiello, Glen A. Mohler, Blasco Molle, Carl Montensen, John "Jack" Mueller, Thomas Murphy, Edward L. Norton, Paul E. Novak, Ed Novak, Felix A. Novelli, Dennis J. O'Keefe, Thomas J. Oliva, Raymond J. Olley, Frank H. Otremsky, Neil L. Pallante, Edlen C. Pearson, Edlen Pearson, Arthur Pendleton, Henry J. Pepe, Salvatore O. Perrone, Arthur Petterson, Clinton Phillips, Lawrence M. Pinto, Dale Pottorff, Edward D. Radbill, Ellenor Rennell, Samuel W. Revels, William Rimshaw, Charles F. Romano, Fred Rose, Philip Roston, Robert Roy, Glenn J. Royer, George W. Sarlito, Glenn E. Sauers, Angelo N. Sauro, Lawrence Schechter, Herman F. Schult, Nick Schweitzer, Elliott Sears, Andrew Serrell, Burton L. Showers, Fred B. Simonson, Calvin L. Simpson, Daniel Siraco, William D. Sitman, Richard Skovira, William W. Sleezer, William Sligo, Emil Sliva, Clarence Smith, Nicholas Smith, Kenneth W. Soderstrom, Frank T. Spero, Theodore W. Stathis, Gilbert Stead, Donald B. Stearns, Charles H. Stewart, John D. Stover, Shirley Sutherburg, Arthur J. Sutton, Morris B. Sweet, James B. Tedrick, William J. Toohey, Arthur P. Travis, William Tully, Richard L. Usinger, Frank G. Valentine, Earl N. VanDyke, John E. Vargo, Nicholas J. Velardi, Albert J. Vicarelli, Anthony Viececi, Lowell R. Wagner, Nicholas J. Waters Jr., Richard E. Watkins, John H. Webb, Robert H. Wetter, Robert White, Cecil F. Wigmore, Raymond W. Wike, John C. Witty, Milton S. Wolchuck, James M. Zirakian, Leon Zochowski.